

Amendments to the Specification

After the title, insert the following new paragraph:

[New] Cross-Reference to Related Applications

[New] This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/379,746, filed on March 5, 2003, now U.S. Patent No. 6,806,313.

Please replace paragraphs [0027], [0029], [0032] and [0041] (paragraph numbering as published) with the following amended paragraphs:

[0027] This data indicates that by utilizing a mixture of siloxanes and ethylenically ~~unsaturated~~ saturated amides and/or oxidized polyethylene, in combination, provided performance equal to that of erucamide.

[0029] The resulting lined caps are allowed to age at room temperature for a minimum of 1 week before being subjected to testing (of removal torque required to remove caps from PET bottles). The caps are applied to 500 ml PET bottles filled with carbonated water using a commercial application machine. The capped bottles are stored at both cold and room temperature, and removal torque measured is after given storage periods. Results are presented in Table 3 below, with Column A representing erucamide-free liner formulation and Column B representing erucamide-containing formulation, with units presented as parts per hundreds of resin (PHR).

TABLE 3

Liner Formulation	A	B
EVA-2	100	100
AO	0.1	0.1
BLUE	0.8	0.8
ERUCAMIDE	0	1.0

Si 4	0.8	0
Si 2	1.3	0
SR	0.3	0
OXF	0.8	0
Removal Torque, in-lbs.		
24 Hrs. @ 4°C	13.8	15.3
1 week @ 4°C	14.3	16.2
1 week @ 23°C	11.1	11.0

This data indicates that the use of mixture of siloxanes, ethylenically ~~unsaturated~~saturated, amides and oxidized polyethylene, in combination does provide torque removal performance equal to or better than that of erucamide-containing cap liner formulations.

[0032] Compositions containing a siloxane in conjunction with an ethylenically ~~unsaturated~~saturated amide and/or an oxidized polyethylene slip aid gave removal torques comparable to compositions containing erucamide. Stringing was judge to be commercially acceptable by industry standards. However, a composition using a siloxane alone without ~~an unsaturated~~a saturated amide and/or oxidized polyethylene gave unacceptably high removal torque and stringing.

[0041] By utilizing a mixture of siloxanes and ethylenically ~~unsaturated~~saturated amides and/or oxidized polyethylene, in combination, torque removal performance equal to that of erucamide was obtained by compositions of the present invention.